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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In the Claims

Applicants request that the claims be amended as follows: 2, 3, 20, 40, 42, 56, 57, 59, 62, 67, 68, 70, 75, 78, 79, 83, 84, 88, 90, 96, 100, 102, 103, 108, 113, 114, 116, 121, 123, 124, 134, 137, 141, 142, 146, 154, 159, 161, 163, 164, 165, 168, 172, 174, 181, 186, 190, 191, 194, 195 and 201-202 are amended. As requested by the PTO for applicants related applications, claims that remain unchanged are included below in order to allow the Examiner to review all pending claims from this response in their numerical order.

2. The method of claim 58, wherein said step of [storing] loading (Amended) comprises the steps of: